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LEGAL NEWS

LEGAL.—The Carnival has brought \$4,000 net.

Mr. and Mrs. Andre Coulombe were here over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Octave Prefontaine were in from Edmonton.

A card party will be held Wednesday evening. The proceeds will go to the completion of easements for altar boys.

News was received of Leon Dumaine. He sailed for Switzerland on March 10. During his short stay in the eastern province he came across Suzanne Plotkins and Louise Beauchemin who were pupils at the convent here for a number of years.

Hector Montpetit was in the Westlock hospital for a few days. Mr. Leo Maurier and L. Lamarche bought a truck and are now working at Egremont.

Mr. Joe Lanouette has moved to Edmonton. Mr. Rene Seguin is now staying at Mr. Lanouette's house.

ST. ALBERT BRIEFS

ST. ALBERT.—The Ladies of the Altar Society had elections for their executive last week for the year 1949. Mrs. George Gaulin was re-elected president, while Mrs. Albert Bernard was elected vice-president and Mrs. C. Brodeur, secretary. The following were named for the committee: Mrs. E. Cherot, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. J. Flynn, Mrs. H. Terrault, Mrs. Colin Ross and Mrs. J. P. Rouvult. The president wishes to thank Mrs. Remi Lafranchise for her work well done as secretary last year.

To begin the year the Ladies of the Altar Society will hold a bingo on April 3, benefits going to the church's welfare.

The C.Y.O. will hold a card party on Sunday evening, March 27, in the Parish hall.

We must not forget about the three-act mystery play "Warning Wings," being staged in the St. Albert Parish hall, March 20. Don't miss it.

Mrs. Van Tighem of Riviere Que Barre visited her daughter, Mrs. Armand Savoie, last week.

Mrs. Emil Baude of Edmonton, and family are visiting at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. A. Lafleur.

Mr. L. Bral has returned from a six-month stay in Europe. Mrs. Bral and family will join him shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lafranchise and Miss Theresa Hewes of Edmonton were visitors in St. Albert on Sunday.

Mrs. O. Thieringer of Edmonton was a guest at the home of Mrs. George Gaulin last week.

Mr. Alfred Sevigny is doing very nicely after his operation last week and should be home very soon.

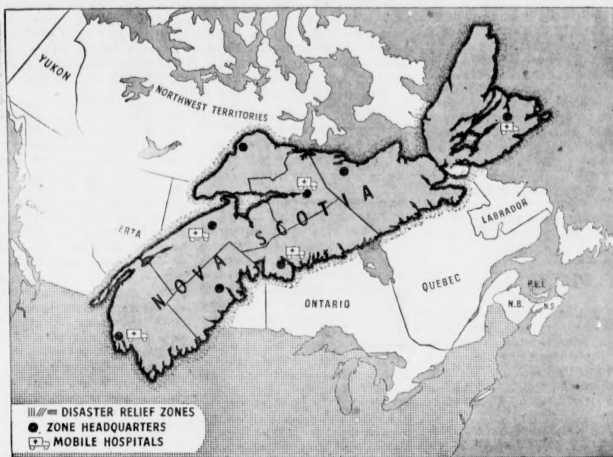
Raymond Perron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Perron, was bitten on his right hand by a dog on Sunday and required medical attention.

A house was moved in St. Albert last week for Mr. Wm. Fraser whose home was destroyed by fire last year.

Butter Competition

MILLET.—D. A. Wagner, butter-maker at Millet Factory, received Class "A" Certificate for the manufacture of 99.2% No. 1 Grade butter from 100 pounds of No. 1 cream.

BLUEPRINT FOR DISASTER RELIEF



Disasters from fire, floods and windstorms threaten many Canadian homes and communities this year. Red Cross provincial divisions revitalize their Disaster Relief organizations to meet the threat. Nova Scotia's province-wide blueprint sets the pattern for the nation.

VILLENEUVE NEWS

VILLENEUVE.—The Parish hall was the scene for the St. Patrick card party held on Sunday, March 13, under the sponsorship of the local C.Y.O. A large crowd attended and both whist and bridge were played.

First prize for whist went to Mrs. Laura Savoie and Mr. Fernin Borle while booby prizes were received by Miss Florence Verstraete and Mr. Emile Soetaerte. Mr. Walter Hebert and Mr. Maurice Verstraete obtained the highest score for bridge.

The C.Y.O. wishes to thank everyone for their co-operation in making the evening successful.

Mr. Albert Lema is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Misses Simone Borle and Therese Hebert and Messrs. Denis Hebert and Ivon Verstraete were visiting their parents this week-end.

Furniture Designs Win First Prize

United Kingdom furniture design has come once again this month into the American limelight with a first prize award in the recent international competition going to two Londoners.

Nearly 3,000 entries from 31 countries were submitted for this competition sponsored by the American Museum of Modern Art and the Museum Design Project Inc. of the U.S.A. The London prize-winners, Robin Day and Clive Latimer won the award for their sectional unit cabinets.

The prize-winning designs incorporate a new technique invented by James Henderson, a Scottish manufacturer. This technique enables the top, back and bottom of each cabinet to be fabricated of plywood in one continuous piece at the rate of one every three minutes on an automatic machine. Other advantages are that the number of joints is reduced to two and that only half the normal amount of wood is used.

C.Y.O. Whist Drive

VIMY.—The whist drive sponsored by the local C.Y.O. was a booming success last Sunday.

The Community hall was filled to capacity with card players. All were enthusiasts over the idea of having a card party at last. Card

parties had not been held in Vimy for at least five years. Mrs. Frank Dumas won the pretty bedspread raffled off during the party. Rev. N. Therrien and Mrs. O. Chevrier won first prizes for their high points of the night.

Card parties will likely be held every second Sunday in the hall, at least during Lent.



HAROLD E. BRONSON
C.C.F. Candidate for Jasper-Edmonton

Mr. Bronson was nominated at a convention held in Edmonton on January 29 last. He is a veteran of the last war, having served four years with the R.C.A.F. He did a tour of operations with Bomber Command over Europe and held the rank of Flight-Lieut.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Alberta and is completing work this year for a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He was premier of the Mock Parliament at the University in 1947, and twice represented Alberta in the inter-provincial McGowan cup debate.

He is a farmer at Cherhill and is 32 years of age.

He was president of the Lac Ste. Anne constituency C.C.F. Association in 1939, and vice-president of the Alberta C.C.F. in 1948.

School Notes

ST. ALBERT.—The students have been exceedingly busy this last week in preparing the character-sketches for the year-book. The co-operation of the entire student body, which had been rather weak, has been practically spontaneous this week. With all this work we should publish a successful year-book.

Due to Mrs. McMillan's absence Mrs. Ross taught the grade 4 class on Friday.

This lovely weather has everyone outdoors, especially the school children. Every recess a flock of little boys and girls assemble in front of the school to take part in a game of marbles or hopscotch or skipping.

Monday, March 14, as Mr. Tetreau was absent the grade 10's promptly seized the opportunity to take a "holiday." Some stayed at school to prepare posters for their store where they sell stationery, ping pong balls, etc. Others went home loaded with homework.

St. Albert W.I.

ST. ALBERT.—Have you missed a lot of nice social functions this winter due to cold and snow? Then plan right now to come to the whist drive on March 23 at 8:30 p.m. in the St. Albert Community hall.

The St. Albert Women's Institute is sponsoring this affair so you are assured a very pleasant evening. After cards a pie social will follow. Come and bring all your friends.

Too Late to Classify

FOR SALE.—12-ft. Cockshutt Rod Weeder, like new, \$100.00; 6-ft. Cockshutt Tiller, No. 35, A-1 shape with seeder box and extension rims, \$350.00; 9-piece oak Dining Room Suite, \$100.00. Arnold A. Marlow, Loughheed. P-M-19-26 A-2

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WANTED.—One 1/4 Sec. of land not more than one mile from a high school. Any place in Alberta. Jess Koerner, Lac la Biche, Alta. P-M19-26

WARNING!

Recent reports in the Daily press indicate that some businessmen in Western Canadian towns are being fleeced by Advertising Salesmen who collect money in advance and don't produce publication of the advertising copy. Hundreds of dollars have been lost in this way. To safeguard your investment in advertising, use your home-town weekly paper and don't pay money in advance to salesmen you do not know.

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THE ATHABASKA TAR SANDS

An ultimate support to the hydrocarbon resources of the North American continent is the remarkable occurrence of tar sands which outcrop along the Athabaska River some two hundred miles northward of Edmonton. These deposits cover an area of 10,000 to 30,000 square miles, range from a few feet to 225 feet in thickness, and represent a volume of 35 to 100 cubic miles. The sand grains are enveloped by a film of heavy, viscous, tarry crude oil which cannot be produced by means of wells. The oil-content of these sands is estimated to range from 1 to 25 per cent and the reserve, to be 100 to 250 billion barrels.

This deposit may be regarded as an ultimate reserve of tremendous size. It is not immediately competitive with oil obtainable from flowing wells, for the sands must be mined and the oil extracted. But it is interesting to contemplate the existence of a resource so large and offering such a challenge to technology.

THE WEEKLY PRESS

The annual award of the David Williams cup for the best editorial page in Canadian weekly newspapers of a circulation of 2,000 or more, draws attention to this invaluable element of our community life. This year, for the second time since the cup was first presented for competition in 1938, the Midland "Free Press Herald" has been adjudged the winner. The cup has also been won twice by the Fort Erie, Ontario "Times-Review" and the Penticton, B.C., "Herald."

The David Williams cup is at once a stimulus to improvement in the editorial pages of the smaller papers and a memorial to one best weekly newspaper editors of his generation. Dr. David Williams, of Collingwood. So outstanding was the position he won for himself that he was given the honorary degree of doctor of laws by the University of Toronto. There was more than personal significance in the degree, however merited as it was. It symbolized the importance of weekly journalism in the national life, and the unique influence it exerts when it is aware of its own strength.

The maintenance of the standards of weekly newspapers publishing is no light task in the circumstances obtaining today. For these smaller papers, costs have risen alarmingly, just as they have for other businesses. The war put a heavy strain on their resources, and for a time the paper shortage was acute. It is highly creditable that so many of them are continuing to grow and progress, reaching ever higher levels of attainment in both news coverage and service to their communities.

There is no little significance in the fact that editorial pages in the weekly newspapers are developing so well. There was a period when violent partisanship was the chief characteristic of the community newspaper. This died out in the course of time, and the tendency went so far that any sort of opinion on local affairs, especially of a political nature, was dangerous. It is a tribute not only to the common sense of the editors, but

to the rising maturity of their readers, that editorial opinion may be accepted for what it is worth, and taken in good part.

The rural editor is often a man of great personal influence in his community. In fact, the atmosphere and enterprise of many of the smaller places are a reflection of the newspapers serving them. On the other hand, if the editor remains unaware of trends in his district, and is content to ride with the breeze, whichever way it blows, his town may be one of those left behind by progress. There is everything to be said for life in the smaller places, and the thoughtful editor will see that his constituency does not lag behind through failure to recognize opportunity, or to make the best of its own possibilities.

The city cannot do without a healthy, vigorous rural life. The country is the source of the city's wealth, and the main market for its goods. The national welfare is therefore best served when both work together in co-operation and good-will. To promote this happy state is the vital responsibility of the country editor, no less than it is of his opposite number in the cities.—Toronto "Globe and Mail."

HERE AND THERE

By T. W. PUE

BILLION DOLLAR LAND

We live in a wonderful period of the history of our Province since the discovery of oil near Leduc and Redwater. Day by day, new oil finds add to the scope and size of the oil boom and it now seems certain that newer, bigger fields are going to be found north of Redwater. Intense activity goes on in the areas of Boyle, Lac la Biche and further north and if an oil find comparable to that of Leduc or Redwater is found at Lac la Biche it is almost certain that the town on the shore of the Lake will soon take on larger proportions.

A NEW TOWN



T. W. Pue

That's what's happening now at Redwater. A settlement so small that it doesn't even have a village council. Redwater will soon have enough people living there to gain town status—and a lot more.

The good people of Redwater who never expected that their small point on the map would be more than that for years to come have been stunned by the sudden activity going on.

In two or three years Redwater may approximate the size of Leduc or Camrose which have taken fifty years to grow up. Three-quarter sections of land have been ear-marked for town survey and a new business section is to be built on the south side of the C.N.R. tracks.

AN OLD TOWN

While Alberta gains a new town through the oil booms, it may in a few years find that one of the oldest towns will lose its identity in the octopus reach of the ever-growing city of Edmonton.

St. Albert, nestled along the banks of the quiet Sturgeon Creek is only 8 miles north of the city but less than 8 miles separates its southern fringes from the northern-most areas of Calder. Mayor Neil M. Ross, an active St. Albert booster, gave me a few interesting facts about St. Albert.

New additions to the town are Bert Sumner's Seed and Feed Mill and the greatly improved and en-

larged "Bruin Inn"—about the finest rural hotel in Alberta. The bridge connecting the two sections of main street is on the site of the first bridge built west of Winnipeg in 1864. The beautiful church and well-preserved mission house contain relics of Rev. Fr. Lacombe and Rev. Fr. Bishop Grandin, early pioneers in Alberta.

This first mission house, built of logs, is contained within a recently built outer structure and as a museum it makes a most interesting place to visit.

HARD SURFACED ROADS
The main streets in St. Albert are now hard surfaced (they cost \$12,000.00) as well as the north-south road going through St. Albert. It is the only town of its size (it's about the size of Hardisty with 600-700 population) to have such hard surfaced streets.

THE GAZETTE

Our paper, the St. Albert Gazette serves the town and district through Local Editor Hermine Lamoureux, post office assistant. There are two garages, three grocery stores, a meat market, feed mill, and a big community hall with largest dance floor west of Winnipeg.

The paper reports the doings of Councillors A. Labelle, A. Arnault, W. Veness, G. Gaulin and J. Soloduk, in council and out.

SCENIC VALUE

St. Albert is a pretty place with the church and Old Polks Home and Priest's Retreat buildings overlooking the Sturgeon. Water from this river flows into Big Lake and the Saskatchewan from Lac Ste. Anne The view from the convent is inspiring to Albertans who, lacking much in the way of historic sites can view the progress of the new from the site of the old accomplishments of the past

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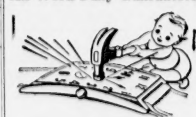
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Egg Co-op Annual Meeting Hears Optimistic Reports

**Two Day Convention
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Optimistic forecasts for record-high 1949 egg prices and presentation of officers' reports covering "the most successful operating year in the seven year history of Alberta Producers Ltd." highlighted the Sixth Annual Meeting of delegates, recently concluded in Edmonton.

K. V. Kapler, President, told thirty-five producer delegates from various parts of Alberta that current indications are for high egg prices during the period of short supply this year, due to anticipated decrease in egg production. "This will mean good returns to egg producers this year, particularly to those who raise chicks early enough to be in production when prices are at peak levels," he said.

Commenting on efforts now underway to secure establishment of a National Marketing Board, Mr. Kapler stated that government consideration is currently being given to a brief submitted in December by the Canadian Poultry Industries Association and that the Canadian Federation of Agriculture will keep interests of western producers to the fore throughout negotiations.

S. Roppel, Rockyford, and K. V. Kapler were re-elected as directors for Districts "D" and "B" respectively. Mr. Kapler was subsequently re-elected to serve his fifth term as President of the association.

WEEDING BY SPRAY GUN

**Dominion Experimental Station,
 Beaverlodge, Alberta.**

If you see your neighbor in his garden this summer armed with a spray gun or hand sprayer do not assume that he is after beetles or cabbage worms. It is quite possible that he is weeding.

According to investigations conducted to date the asparagus patch may be sprayed with 2-4-D before the tips break through the soil or after the cutting season. The growing tip will be injured by direct contact. Rows of sweet corn or onions can be sprayed with safety immediately after sowing but the chemical must be kept away from these crops once they have emerged.

Raspberry plantations may be weeded by 2-4-D without fear of injury, as may strawberries except in the runner-making season. Dandelions and other weeds can be removed from beneath apple and evergreen trees and, with discretion, beneath more sensitive plants such as gooseberries, currants and caragana.

Carrots, parsley, parsnip and celery are highly susceptible to injury by 2-4-D but can be weeded by oils such as tractor distillate, stove oil or Varol. One gallon of liquid will treat 200-300 feet of row and there will be very little taint to the vegetables except when used soon after application. Even a trace of 2-4-D in a watering can may be sufficient to cause injury to highly susceptible plants, hence one sprayer should be used exclusively for the purpose. If necessary, it can be cleaned by several applications of Varol.

STRIP FARMING

We have been called on for advice regarding the setting up of strip farming on a west slope and where the prevailing wind was from the west. There seemed to be some concern that if the strips

run north and south there will be a wash of weed seeds on to fallowed areas.

We commend the correspondent for his interest in soil conservation measures but suggest that the wash of weed seeds should not cause undue alarm. If a suitable crop rotation is followed and if weed control measures are timely weeds would become of only a minor concern.

Actually the slope to the west and towards the prevailing wind makes an ideal set-up for strip farming and it is thought that the farm be laid out with fields running north and south to suit the adopted rotation. For a six-year rotation on a quarter section the strips would be approximately 25 rods wide, which is ideal for most slopes, while if the rotation runs eight years the strips would be about 18 rods.

The prospect of strip farming in the Peace River region may be new to some while to others it may recall widespread soil drifting in the prairie region. For the present we would not advocate particularly severe measures to control wind and water erosion on the long slopes but we do think that we can benefit from the experience of others and institute control measures before widespread damage is done. On no account should more than twenty rods of a sloping field be left exposed to the action of water and it is fortunate if the protective measures also include protection from wind action.

Sidelights of the Peace

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE COMMONWEALTH ASSN.

LONDON — (By Cable) — The following is an extract from a speech by the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Noel Baker, at a civic lunch at Preston, Lancashire, on February 12th. "Some foreign journalists ask me 'What good is the Commonwealth today?' What are the obligations of its members, what advantage do they get from their association."

When people ask me that I remember something said by the Canadian Prime Minister the other day. "We found ourselves," he said, "in pretty tight corners more than once in world affairs. We have been proud to stand shoulder to shoulder. And we have been successful because we were standing shoulder to shoulder." Let doubters, if there are doubters, remember the history of the last 30 years. Let them remember the immense service rendered by the Commonwealth not to our own nations only but to the world. Let them remember 1940. It was, as Mr. St. Laurent said, because we were a Commonwealth, because we stood together, because of free voluntary decisions of each nation, we all resisted Hitler, that our nations came victorious through the air. Had we not been a Commonwealth, had we not had that relation which led us all to stand together for the principles which we thought right, our nations would have gone under singly to the aggressor's onslaught. The Axis would have used its system of "One by one," and one by one we should have fallen.

Since the war we have been standing "shoulder to shoulder" in other ways. Never has there been such generous and such successful economic co-operation as between the nations of the Commonwealth since the war. Canada has rendered us service which none can estimate. Throughout the war Canadians made enormous efforts to send us the products of their factories, their shipyards and their farms. Ever since the war they have helped us in innumerable ways.

Today, only to the dollar shortage, we have reluctantly been forced to reduce our imports. Indeed in 1948 what we sent to

Canada by way of exports only paid for three-tenths of what Canada sent to us. For all the rest we relied on the generosity of Canada in giving credit and on the United States in giving Marshall Aid. That help cannot indefinitely endure. We must find ways of paying for what we buy by offering to Canada more goods and services that she wants.

We, for our part, are determined to increase our exports. The results of our drive have so far been quite good. We are resolved to do much better still. This week the Gilpin Mission had published its report. It shows how great an opportunity our manufacturers have to increase the machinery and engineering products which Canada will take. Textiles too should play their part. I hope that Lancashire may be Canada-minded as never before.

This whole problem of trade between Canada and Britain has long been under study by our governments both here and there. Last autumn, my colleague, Sir Stafford Cripps, went to Ottawa. One result of his most valuable discussions with the Canadian "Continuing Committee" of senior Canadian and United Kingdom experts whose duty it is to keep our trade and economic relations under constant review. That committee has just met in London. Its first task is to see how trade may be increased; but as it performs that task it cannot fail to clear away by personal discussion any misunderstanding which may arise. In that speech in the Canadian parliament which I have quoted it was said that this new committee would bring "most beneficial results," in other fields besides that of shillings and pence. I warmly endorse what the Prime Minister said. It is of vital importance that we should keep in contact with each other and with each other and in his words that we are "pretty good people with whom to work." On this side of the Atlantic we all reciprocate his expression of good will, and we are deeply grateful for his understanding of our present difficult position and of our determination to make our trade as close, as friendly and as useful to the people of Canada as it can be.

Britain Produces

Banks On Wheels

Mobile banks are becoming increasingly important among products of the United Kingdom caravans industry. Five of the big banks now use them—Westminster, Lloyds, Midland, National Provincial and Martins.

These caravan banks are used at present chiefly for agricultural shows, exhibitions and other events at which temporary banking facilities are needed. Another and growing use is, however, the replacement of small branch offices in rural areas. In many such areas banks open once weekly but the buildings, being permanent, are thus largely wasted. One mobile bank can replace several branch buildings of this kind, thus freeing the buildings for more effective use.

Sets Up Three

New Health Records

Figures just issued by the Registrar General show that death rates in Britain are now the lowest ever known. Last year three new health records were set up.

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Another meeting of the Ladies' Aid will be held on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. Royer where plans will be discussed about a sale of tea and home cooking which is to be held at Redwater on April 16. Mrs. Elemer Gavel is taking full charge of the arrangements to be made for the tea sale.

The Calendar

REDWATER—A public meeting will be held at Redwater on Monday, March 14. The speaker will be John Deere, the Federal Liberal candidate for the electorate district of Vegreville. Also to speak will be the Liberal Leader Harper Prowse. The meeting will commence at 8 p.m. Everybody welcome.

A meeting of the Alberta Farmers' Union Sub-Local No. 383 will be held at Redwater on March 26. The meeting will commence at 7 p.m. Important business is to be discussed and everyone is invited to attend.

Shows are held at the Deric new Redwater dance hall and theatre every Tuesday and Saturday of each week.

The Railway High School will present an Amateur Nite at Railway Community hall on Saturday, March 19. All entries are to be sent to Box 24 at Hardisty before March 19. The prizes are: 1, \$10; 2, \$5; 3, \$3. Admission will be: Adults, 50c; and students, 25c.

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Antiquities of Britain

UPPER BEEDING, BRAMBER AND STEYNING

When the traveller leaves the road which runs between the two resorts, Brighton and Worthing, on the South Coast of England, and turns inland at Shoreham, he plunges into the heart of the green Sussex Downs. To the right the imposing grey chapel of Lancing College, a well-known school for boys stands on a hill as the road winds to Upper Beeding village on the River Aden, and so ancient that it was mentioned in the will of the Saxon King Alfred who

lived in the ninth century. Indeed, when an old burial ground was excavated in Upper Beeding in 1800, Roman urns were found which proves that there was a Roman settlement there hundreds of years before Alfred. The local vicarage is built on the site of an 11th century Benedictine priory, and a mutilated window in the church is a relic of this building.

Nearby, the main road leads to Bramber whose place-name signifies a bramble-thicket. On a hill quite near there is a ruined cas-

tle. This castle was destroyed by Cromwell's men during the Civil War in the 17th century. It was while Cromwell's soldiers slept that the young Charles II escaped from the castle, and crossed a bridge which led him to the coast and safety. In modern times, the castle has been used as a quarry, but the remains of the Norman keep still stand, 76 feet high and six feet thick.

In the main street of Bramber you will find a quaint museum begun by William Potter, a native boy, who spent most of his life building it up. Its principal feature is the portrayal of the old story of the Burial of Cock Robin with series of stuffed birds of many kinds. The museum has many other curious things to interest the visitor.

SAXON COTTAGES

Further along the main road you come to Steyning, a little market town on the slopes of the South Downs. The fine parish church of Steyning was built on the site of a Saxon church founded by the Sussex Saint Guthman, and began its history of the 14th century.

Facing an open space in the town called Chantry Green is a thatched Saxon cottage built entirely without nails, and across the street is a timbered 16th century house which was turned into a boys' Grammar School just before Shakespeare died, and where local lads are still being educated.

Old Steyning was the centre of many trades. The mint and the brewery have vanished long ago, but in Tanyard Lane an old established tannery still flourishes and is famous for its parchment, and in Newham Lane an old sawmill still does good work.

Walking along Newham Lane the traveller reaches the Downs where, after climbing a steep hill, he crosses a stile and walks along the springy turf to the Chanctonbury Ring. This was a pre-historic entrenchment which is now marked by a clump of beech trees. The fine trees were planted over 170 years ago by Charles Goring of Wiston Hall, near Steyning, a notable 16th century mansion. Goring loved this part of the Downs, and he was only a youngster when he toiled up the Downs with the beech tree seedlings. From the Chanctonbury Ring you get a magnificent view: soft green fields and yellow cornlands and red-roofed villages nestling here and there. Looking southwards, the traveller sees the blue waters of the English Channel.

Surprise Party

REDWATER.—A housewarming surprise party was held for Mr. and Mrs. S. Lischarchuk at their home. Attending the party were about 32 couples who were friends from the neighborhood and despite the cold weather a good time was had by all.

Dancing took place the greater part of the evening with a few short speeches. The couple was also presented with a dinner set. Mr. and Mrs. Lischarchuk expressed their word of thanks and appreciation to their friends.

War Brides Make New Homes Here

REDWATER.—Due to the oil strike we have people here from all over the world. One is a war bride, Mrs. Reg Ellard. Mrs. Ellard comes from Scotland where she married a Canadian, Reg Ellard. They first made their home in Cold Lake but are now living in Redwater as Mr. Ellard is working for Pacific Petroleum Oil Co.

Also another war bride is Mrs. Pat Jackson, who also came from the old country, Ireland, and also made her first home in Cold Lake, but is now living here as her husband is employed by the Commonwealth Drilling Co.

There are several others here from England too, such as Michael Woodhead from England. Michael is delighted to be away from the food rations.

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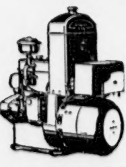
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Canadian Plowmen Abroad

NEW YORK—This is the third year the Canadian plowmen have been awarded a trip to the British Isles to take part in plowing matches and study British methods of agriculture. It is also the third year that Canadian Plowmen Abroad has been published. I only hope I can do as well as my predecessors, Clark Young and W. L. Clarke in recounting observations of conditions abroad.

The expenses of our trip are being paid jointly by Imperial Oil Limited and the Salada Tea Company of Canada Ltd. Imperial Oil sponsors the Easo Tractor class at the International Plowing Match and Salada Tea, the Trans-Atlantic Class for horse-drawn joint plows. This year's winners in the Easo Tractor class were Rhys Bacher, of Hagersville, and Robert Timbers, of Stouffville, Albert Mark, of Cameron, and Wilbert McFaddin, of Millbank, were the successful contestants in Salada's Trans-Atlantic class.

Last fall when the champion plowmen won their trip to Britain at the International Plowing Match at Lindsay, and I was chosen to accompany them as team-manager, we wondered what it would be like to visit "far away places" and meet so many new people. Now that we are actually on our way we seem to be taking everything in our stride. As I write this letter, we are in the heart of Manhattan—five Canadian farmers seeking New York for the time. New York is a wonderful city but I'll tell you more about it later.

THE CANADIAN TEAM

I feel privileged to be accompanying the 1948 "champs" to Britain. They are a grand lot and a fine example of Canadian farmers. For that reason I would like to tell you something about each one in turn.

This year's team is a youthful group—the average age being 29. That's excluding myself, of course, because I must confess that I would bring the average up considerably. Two of the lads are under 30 and the other two are in their early thirties.

Alvin Mark, of Cameron, is the Salada gold medalist. He is 35 and married. In the excitement of winning a trip overseas, Alvin apparently forgot to mention that he had a family and the first newspaper reports said he was single. His wife is the former Alberta Blatchford and they have four children, Keith, Anne, Fay and Sharon. Alvin entered his first plowing match in 1929 and his first "international" in 1931. He owns a 125-acre farm and has won

the "Salada Special" every year in his county since it was first introduced. An active sportsman, he plays basketball, hockey and is interested in horse showing. He is also a member of the Young A. Duluth Club of Cameron United Church.

One of the first statements Rhys Bacher made when he learned he had won the Easo Tractor class gold medal was: "There's a man over there who owes me \$117 now maybe I'll be able to collect." Rhys was born in Fisherville, Ont., on October 13th, 1920, and has been a farmer all his life. He is married to the former Jean Gloyd of Selkirk. For several years Rhys was a member of the inter-county teams and had two second prizes and one first prize to his credit before winning the trip to Britain at last year's international match.

Wilbert Russell McFaddin, winner of the silver medal in the Trans-Atlantic class for horse-drawn joint plows, who sponsored the Salada Tea Company, is a younger brother of Glen McFaddin, last year's Easo gold medalist. He was born in Millbank, Ont., on December 26th, 1914, and helps Glen run their 250-acre farm. Wilbert has competed in both tractor and horse plowing competitions and has won a number of trophies in horse plowing. He is 34, single, and a member of Millbank United Church. In addition to his plowing ability, Wilbert has the heartiest appetite of the group. We have all decided that if he will plow with the same determination he will eat with the same sure winner at the British matches.

The Easo tractor silver medalist, Fred Timbers, also comes from a well-known plowing family. His father, Winfred Timbers, won a number of prizes at plowing matches and his uncle, Fred Timbers, was one of the 1946 Easo champions. The 1948 plowing match was Bob's fourth international and at the other competition he carried away several first and second prizes. He was born in Stouffville on November 10th, 1926, and is the youngest of the 1948 champion plowmen. He owns an 100-acre mixed farm. His wife is the former Leatrice Nicholson and their baby daughter Karen is nearly one year old.

EXETER AND EXMOUTH

The old city of Exeter, county town of Devonshire, stands on the river Exe, surrounded by softly outlined hills, and fields, whose soil has a deep reddish tint and is narrow, deep lanes. Exeter has undergone more sieges than any other town in England and from the earliest times the inhabitants have shown their strong sense of independence. They are quick to remind the visitor that even William the Conqueror, who subdued the Saxons, could not defeat the population of Exeter, but had to come to terms with them in 1068.

A few years later, William's nephew, Bishop William Warlewast, began to rebuild the cathedral, which stands on a hill. The Exeter Cathedral is an impressive edifice and it dominates the surrounding country. The massive twin towers that Bishop Warlewast erected can be seen miles away. A medieval clock in the Cathedral marks the hours, and a minstrel's gallery reveals its original colouring. Outside the Cathedral the Close is formal, quiet and peaceful. Many fine examples of Exeter's old architecture can be studied here. Every visitor wants to see Moll's Coffee House within whose walls there gathered in 1588 a group of England's finest seamen to celebrate a decisive victory. These Elizabethan seamen were Drake, Raleigh, Frobisher, Hawkins, Gilbert and Grenville, and they met to discuss the magnificent defeat of the Spanish Armada. Exeter has provided and manned three ships for the great fight and after the victory, the Tudor Queen Elizabeth gave the city the motto "Semper Fidelis" (Always Faithful).

OLDEST MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Exeter suffered greatly from air raids in the Second World War, but happily many of its finest old buildings survived intact, including the 13th century Guildhall which claims to be the oldest municipal building in England. This hall has a beautiful timbered roof and its panelled walls show many remarkable carvings. The Mayor's parlour has an open hearth and recessed windows.

On the way to Northworthy, that part of Exeter where remains of the castle that William the Conqueror built still stand, the visitor can also examine the fine old

city wall. It is red and massive and was built originally by the Romans. The visitor can wander into St. Nicholas Priory which is a Norman crypt, and a medieval room and kitchen, and if he wishes to catch something of the atmosphere of Elizabethan days he can go to Tuckers' Hall which belonged to the Guilds of Woolen Manufacturers.

Exmouth, on the coast, is ten miles from Exeter. It has a fine sea front where the terracotta coloured cliffs look very picturesque against a deep blue sky. Exmouth is known as "Children's Paradise" for there is a special playground close to the sea-front and there are rocks and pools where the children can shrimp, prawn and catch crabs. Exmouth has a sailing club, and as it is conveniently placed near Exmouth, many kinds of sport can be enjoyed by visitors. Although Exmouth has modern buildings, the town has occupied a place in English history from the year 1401 when Danish pirates invaded it. Not far away is Hayles Barton, a well-preserved Elizabethan farmhouse with a long old-world garden. It is open to the public, and is of special interest to American travellers for it was the birthplace of Sir Walter Raleigh. Born in 1552, Raleigh was the colonizer of Virginia in America, and was later introduced to tobacco and potatoes into England.

Farm Notes From Abroad

SEEK TARIFF REDUCTION

Danish authorities have compiled a list of goods for which, in accordance with the 1947 Geneva agreement, a further tariff reduction will be asked. United States tariffs are primarily affected and the list includes such commodities as cheese, butter, seeds, brewery yeast, and liquor.

In any year the U.S. duty on butter is 7 cents per pound, until total imports reach 50 million pounds. When imports exceed this quota the duty is raised to 14 cents per pound. The Danish position is that the reduced rate applies to a quantity which is too small in view of the plans of Denmark and New Zealand for expanding butter exports to the U.S.

Industrial And Professional Workers Given Bursaries

About 120 industrial and professional workers from Colonial, Commonwealth and foreign countries will have visited Britain before the end of 1948 under the British Council's Short-Term Bursary Scheme. The awards enable them to spend from three to six months in the country, in government offices, institutions, local government offices and other similar organizations.

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FASHION INTERNATIONAL

National borders are ceasing to affect female fashions as they once did, says Edith Head, who designed Calvot's clothes for Hal Wallis' "Rope of Sand". The Hollywood stylist says that soon, "excepting unusual climatic conditions, women throughout the world will follow identical fashion trends, and the average well-dressed girl in Shanghai will wear as much in style in New York or Rio as in her native city."

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A series of articles on the work of the various departments of the University of Alberta.

On the Zoology Department

This year about 600 students at the University are studying zoology. This does not mean that Alberta will shortly be over-run with zoologists, although we do feel a few could be used. It is only that an elementary knowledge of zoology is considered desirable for students of many sciences. Embryo doctors, dentists, agriculturists, household scientists, nurses, pharmacists, teachers and geologists are all briefly exposed to zoology which has some contribution to make to their training. Many students of the humanities also study some zoology, as well they might, for a knowledge of the world of animals and the complex communities of nature is surely as enriching and rewarding as any other knowledge.

There has been an increased awareness of the value of wildlife, not only as a source of revenue to the trapper and commercial fisherman, but as a source of pleasure to the sportsman, the photographer, the bird lover, the angler and to that great number of people who enjoy getting out in the "bush" and seeing wild creatures around them. The increased appreciation of these wildlife values has come, as appreciation of any thing usually comes, with its diminished

abundance. Increases in population which bring industrialization and greater land use, inevitably lead to lesser abundance of wildlife. Careful management is needed to prevent the loss of many valuable species. Government agencies in the United States and Canada are now employing zoologists as conservation officials and as research scientists to prevent further losses of wildlife and to search for methods of increasing its abundance.

Your zoology department at the University has kept up with these conservation ideas. We have enlarged our teaching and research staff to four persons and we now offer a course in wildlife management to those small numbers of students whose interests lie in this field. Actually, twenty-one students are enrolled this year in this conservation course, although, of these, only a few will wish to make a career of such work. We have a great many students who would like to get into this field but we have to discourage most of them. Employment of professional zoologists is restricted pretty well to the Civil Service; the number that can find employment here is still small and the salaries are low compared to the salaries that other professional scientists may expect.

The zoology department does a great deal besides teaching, although teaching is possibly the function which takes the most of our time. Each of us in the department has one or more research projects covering such fields as development of animals (embryology), animal parasites and diseases, fish and wildlife management, animal cycles, recognition of different kinds of animals and bird migration.

Not the least of the function of the zoology department is its service to the public. Not a day passes but some person writes and asks us a question. These questions are so varied as to defy classification; some of the common ones are: What animal (or fish, or bird) have I seen? (follows a description or the actual specimen sent in); What fish shall I put in my pond? How do you get rid of rats? of snakes? of moles? (really pocket gophers); Why did my canary (or goldfish, or turtle) die? etc.

We also undertake biological surveys for government agencies (Dominion and Provincial); these form a very important part of our work. We hope to give you an account of these and some of our research projects in subsequent articles.

Need Is For More Oil Feilds

To achieve self-sufficiency in oil for the future Canada must find perhaps 15 new fields as large as Leduc or Redwater, according to an article published in the Imperial Oil Review. The new fields would have to be in areas where transportation and other facilities permit competitive production and distribution.

"Although Leduc, Woodbend and Redwater represent large reserves, they are by no means adequate for all of Canada's needs," the article continues. "It has been estimated production from these fields will exceed 70,000 barrels a day, far short of the consumption anticipated by 1955."

In 1948 Canada imported 87 per cent of her oil and if she were less dependent upon foreign sources the national economy would greatly benefit, the article states. It estimates a current consumption of more than 250,000 barrels a day will exceed 350,000 barrels a day by 1955.

"Large reserves also must be

proven or blocked out to justify heavy investments in pipe lines and new refineries. By providing less costly transportation, pipe lines can make Alberta crude competitive over a wider area. However, it is obvious that the proven reserves must come first because no one can spend the many millions of dollars necessary without being sure there is sufficient oil at the source to pay back the investment over a period of years."

"As more and more wells come into production in Alberta there may be a period when new wells would not add to the total daily crude output. This situation might come about while existing markets were being expanded, new markets were being developed or while lower cost transportation facilities were being constructed. In this event the full production potential of the province would have to await the development of new markets where the oil could compete with supplies from other fields."

As for Imperial's part, the articles state, the company plans to spend more than \$30,000,000 in Alberta during 1949. Development of various projects will proceed as fast as materials, equipment and labor are available and a vigorous expansion program is being continued. In addition to western development, facilities to take care of increased demand will be expanded on a nation-wide basis during the year.

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